

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Nagesh Kadaba Confirmation No.: 4421
Appl No.: 10/807,679 Group Art Unit: 3628
Filed: March 24,2004 Examiner: Vetter, Daniel
For: COMPUTER SYSTEM FOR ROUTING PACKAGE DELIVERIES

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This is in response to the Office Action dated February 5, 2008, in which the Examiner has required restriction between allegedly patently distinct inventions, as reflected in:

- I. Claims 1-15 and 26-32, drawn to a combined carrier shipping system, classified in class 705, subclass 1.
- II. Claims 16-25 and 61-71, drawn to a shipping information system, classified in class 705, subclass 1.
- III. Claims 33-60, drawn to a system, method, and computer program product for routing delivery of a package, classified in class 705, subclass 1.

Applicant has elected to prosecute claims involving Invention III, namely Claims 33-60, drawn to a system, method, and computer program product for routing delivery of a package.

Applicant expressly reserves the right to file divisional applications or take such other appropriate measures deemed necessary to protect the inventions in the remaining claims.

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Should the Examiner have further questions or comments with respect to examination of this case, or with the response to the restriction requirement provided herein, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone the Applicant's undersigned attorney at 404-881-7640 or e-mail the Applicant's undersigned attorney at chris.haggerty@alston.com so that further examination of this application can be expedited.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those, which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 CFR § 1.136(a), and any fee required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) is hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 16-0605.

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